



Coverage for Prescriptions and Basic Medical Services

Medical Service Plan (MSP)

Medical Service Plan (MSP) Premiums were eliminated as of January 1, 2020. Retroactive Premium Assistance provides financial adjustments on previously billed premiums.

- Lower Mainland: (604) 683-7151
- Elsewhere in B.C.: 1 (800) 663-7100 (toll-free)
- Online application:
<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/health-drug-coverage/msp/bc-residents/premiums/retro-active-premium-assistance>

Fair PharmaCare

BC's provincial drug plan. Annual deductible is based on previous tax year's income.

- Lower Mainland: 604-683-7151
- Rest of B.C. (toll-free): 1-800-663-7100
- <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/health-drug-coverage/pharmacare-for-bc-residents>

Pharmacare programs that can help with paying your Pharmacare deductible:

- Income review: If your family income has dropped by 10% or more in the past two years, you can apply to have your deductible or family maximum lowered.
- Monthly deductible payment option: You may be able to pay your deductible in monthly instalments.
 - <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/health-drug-coverage/pharmacare-for-bc-residents/who-we-cover/fair-pharmacare-plan/increased-assistance-and-payment-options>

MSP Supplementary Benefits

Provides minimal coverage for certain health practitioners such as acupuncture, physio, massage. Based on income. MSP may cover \$23 per visit for a combined annual limit of 10 visits each calendar year for eligible individuals.

- <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/health-drug-coverage/msp/bc-residents/benefits/services-covered-by-msp/supplementary-benefits>

Health Supplements for People on PWD or PPMB

List of medical services and supplies covered under PWD. You may need to ask a ministry worker to access these benefits. More details at the link.

- <https://disabilityalliancebc.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/HS7.pdf>
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The contents above are directly from the [Community and Financial Aid Resources in BC](#) guide pages 22 - 23.

A full copy of this resource guide is available at <https://www.mefm.bc.ca/additional-resources>.



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